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REQUIESCANT IN PACE.

The church and the diocese of Louisville mourn the loss of three faithful servants this week. Father Neasey, a secular priest; Father Dunn, a Dominican, and Brother Richard, a member of the Passionist community, answered the call to the bar of final judgment on Tuesday. Each loved the Cross, the Rosary and the Blessed Sacrament. Two were natives of America and the third of Irish birth. At the knees of Irish mothers all three learned to love the Father and the Mother. From earliest childhood each had been taught to serve God, to love Him and his holy Mother. The life of each is worthy of emulation. They flung away ambition to become followers of our Divine Saviour. Varily they took up the cross and followed Him. Their lives were lessons in humility and self-denial. Let us hope that each has entered upon his eternal reward. May they rest in peace and may perpetual light shine upon them.

IMMIGRANTS.

How to keep undesirable foreigners from landing in this country is a problem that seems difficult of solution. The most recent attempt is a bill in Congress to admit no one unable to read and write. Commenting upon this the Catholic Advance points out that it might be well to remember that thousands of the most industrious and law-abiding citizens of this country were unable to read or write when they landed, and again it is well not to forget that most of the imported anarchists, forgers and professional criminals are adepts in reading and writing. Statistics are at hand to show that but few inmates of jails and penitentiaries are unable to read and write. We have an oversupply of "uneducated literates" and we are adding about a million a year to the number right at home, and

men and women coming to this country unable to read or write, able to give lessons in idleness, industry, honesty, sobriety and even loyalty to the country to our home grown pagan output of readers and writers. It is stupid to proclaim that physical ability to read or write connotes any moral or civil worth; just as stupid as to locate the perfection of a sculptor in his chisel or of the painter in his brush. When we see the avalanche of sin and filth that is daily thrown in our way through a reckless press and the mountains of putrid novels written by pigminded paranoiacs the one who knows not how to read has reason to be the better for his ignorance.

SENATE'S SURRENDER.

Corruption in Legislatures seems to be the rule these days, and other evils have followed the example of the Senate in probing into the manner in which their Senators have been elected. It seems a foregone conclusion that an amendment to the constitution that United States Senators be elected by direct vote will go to the States for ratification this year. The serious question involved is whether the Nation or State will fix the qualifications of Senators. The Dewey amendment gives the control in the Nation. The Senators denounce this as a surrender of the force and the Nation will not allow it. The Republic of good men to kill the Senators, as they leave to States the qualifications, as they elect Representatives.

Before the movement for the election of Senators by direct vote was blocked always by the States. Now it is the latter, and it will go to the States. The surrender of the force and the Nation will not allow it. The Republic of good men to kill the Senators, as they leave to States the qualifications, as they elect Representatives.

Stanford, Jr., in utterance to the matter of war, will be its because

the money lenders will not permit anything which will impair the loans they have made. All civilized nations are owned or controlled, for they say there is a difference between owning and controlling a railroad, though some of us can not quite grasp the distinction. The men who make the war loans control all the civilized nations. The Spitznberger is not controlled. Neither is the Fiat. The "uncles" of the kings control the others. Emperors and kings and parliaments may not declare war to satisfy a whim, defend their honor or even to right a wrong until they have secured the permission of their "uncle." There is no danger of war, but there is grave danger that the war debt may be doubled. Europe's war debt is \$26,000,000,000. One-third of all the money in the world is due on the war debt of Europe alone. The Rothschilds and other money lending families absolutely control the situation. Nineteenth of the war scares in Europe and elsewhere are made by crafty statesmen and a yellow press to divert the attention of the people from reforms they are demanding. The spending of money for armament, the borrowing of enormous sums and shouldering the debt upon future generations to be taken in taxes from the peasants is something more than a question of finance—it is a moral question. The placing of a tyrannous burden on the poor of future generations is only one of the indictments to be drawn against war.

Mr. Jordan is a student of history and of nations. The alarmists in the United States should give heed to his words. War and rumors of war are only intended for the benefit of the money lenders, the loan sharks of the nations.

GIVE THEM REST.

All over the country the movement to close the postoffices on Sunday is gaining momentum. The Kentucky Irish American heartily approves this reform, and would urge that the Louisville Postoffice be closed on Sunday. The great majority of business men permit their commercial affairs to rest this one day. Surely there can be no denial, of the fact that postal clerks and carriers are entitled to their day of rest. This privilege has been granted a number of cities, and with little effort it is reasonable to expect that Louisville would be added to the list.

PROHIBITION A FAILURE.

Prohibition has proven a failure in Tennessee. It has been tried and found wanting. As a result the Mayors of Memphis, Nashville, Knoxville and Chattanooga have conferred and will wait on the present Legislature in an effort to have the obnoxious prohibition laws repealed. The law in Tennessee has not been enforced; yet this does not mean that it could not be enforced; it means rather that the people of the cities concerned had doubts as to the desirability of the law, or convictions to the effect that the law was undesirable.

In every State where prohibition has been legalized it has proved a farce. Even the United States army has provided an instance of the folly of those who would seek to reform by coercive measures. In every instance where prohibition has been legalized the cities and communities effected have been flooded with bad whisky and worse beer. It is time that the leading prohibitionists were realizing these facts.

PLAIN TRUTH.

Hon. Benjamin Hooper, the new Governor of Tennessee, in prefacing his inaugural address last Wednesday said:

"It does not behoove us to soothe ourselves with self-laudation either on the account of our glorious history and traditions or because of the magnificent natural resources of our State. We are entitled to no credit either for a proud or distinguished ancestry or for the unexcelled variety of our climate, products and resources. It is the manner in which we are conserving and developing our resources and the degree of liberty, enlightenment and opportunity we are giving our people that can confer distinction upon our citizenship, establish our rank as a State and fix our place in history."

Other Southerners may have

enjoyed like thoughts, but few have given them utterances in such a convincing manner. It is time for the South to be up and oing.

The Catholic church in America is sadly suffering these days. A week ago the diocese of Indianapolis lost three priests through death. This week two Louisville priests and a lay brother died. The diocese of Covington lost nine of its clergymen within the last six months. Various other dioceses have suffered losses and only last week the papers noted the fact that ten New York clergymen were confined in hospitals. God is good. He will raise up other able men to take the places of the dead and deceased.

The Post is making a crusade against Louisville's police force because certain police officers arrested a new found friend of the editor. The Post's idea of a good policeman is one that will deliver the copies of that journal from an automobile to a Luchsinger. When Capt. Foster was assaulting citizens a year or so ago the Post was loud in its praise of the Louisville police force. Time changes many things.

No man or woman should become too much interested in bad gossip concerning their neighbors, but pray that the worst things about themselves will not be found out.

The self-seeker usually gets on the toboggan in due course; then what a fall, my countrymen.

It is astonishing how the minorities of today claim to represent the people.

THETA CLUB

Elects Officers and Discusses the Year's Affairs.

The Theta Club, a social organization composed of graduates of St. Xavier's College, has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, Barry J. Meehan; Vice President, Francis J. Higgins; Secretary, William P. Kelly; Treasurer, Martin E. Ridge; Manager, J. J. O'Hallagher. An elaborate Dutch luncheon followed the election of officers, and President Meehan made a brief address on fellowship and outlined plans for the year.

The members of the club are W. H. Duane, J. A. Doll, Frank J. Higgins, J. J. Gibson, A. L. Hoerster, W. P. Kelly, J. E. Klein, J. A. Kolb, Barry J. Meehan, A. J. O'Hallagher, Martin E. Ridge, B. B. Schlemmer and G. J. Wiedemer. The Theta Club was organized on March 25, 1910, and its objects are to promote fraternalism and good fellowship among the Xavierian graduates of that year. The club meets every two weeks at the homes of the respective members, and each member is entitled to bring a young lady. The club is entertained at cards and music and a luncheon and smoker follow.

OPENING OF NEW STORE.

The Abe C. Levi Company will open its new store, at 417 Fourth avenue, on Monday, January 30. It will be an emporium for silks, henns, laces and embroideries, and its managers intend to have on sale the finest stock ever exhibited in Louisville. The general public is cordially invited to attend the opening and inspect the superb stock.

GERMANS IN CANADA.

The Archdiocese of Montreal has already two parishes of Poles, two of Italians and one of Greeks, and its consistory organization will shortly be increased by the establishment of a German parish. The subjects of the Kaiser think themselves in sufficient number in Montreal to have a church of their own, and the religious authorities, interviewed on the question, have agreed.

COFFEE SOCIAL AND EUCHE.

A coffee social and euche for benefit of St. Ann's church will be given in the school hall, Seventh and Davies avenue, on Wednesday afternoon and evening, February 15. The coffee social will begin at 2 o'clock and the euche game will be called at 8 o'clock. Tickets of admission are twenty-five cents. This will be a most enjoyable entertainment and should attract a large attendance.

COVINGTON.

The Kenton County Commissioners at their meeting at Covington last Saturday appointed Dr. Charles Kearns, Jr., to succeed himself as a member of the County Board of Health. During the past year Dr. Kearns has given special attention to the duties of his office, and the Commissioners are being commended for continuing him on the board.

VISITOR FROM OWENSBORO.

Charles Dorn, the leading merchant tailor of Owensboro, spent several days this week visiting friends in Louisville. Mr. Dorn is a leader in Y. M. I. and Knights of Columbus circles in Owensboro. During his stay here he paid a visit to old friends in the office of the Kentucky Irish American.

BUILDING SITE PURCHASED.

Through the Right Rev. Bishop O'Donoghue the diocese of Louisville has purchased a piece of property extending along Broadway 195 feet and west of Third street. Definite announcements as to what the site will be used for have not been made.

SOCIETY.

Mrs. Mary Shea has as her guest this week Miss Margaret Miller, of Central City.

Mrs. James A. Wathen, of the Highlands, spent last week with relatives at Lebanon.

Miss Margaret McKenna, of Fairfield, was a week end visitor to friends in this city.

Mrs. Dan Haager returned Saturday from a visit to Mrs. Isadora Calles at Pewee Valley.

Miss John Nichols has returned from Vine Grove, where she visited her sister, Mrs. Alice Purcell.

Mrs. Mary Chawh, who has been ill for some time, is improving rapidly and able to see her friends.

Mrs. Thomas McGuire, of South Louisville, has been entertaining Mrs. Edward Riney, of Peru, Ind.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Langan and daughter, Miss Nell Langan, left Monday for a visit to friends in St. Louis.

Miss Margaret Wathen gave a luncheon and matinee party in honor of Miss Mina Oliver, of Wheeling, W. Va.

Miss Anna Rihn spent last week at Bardonia, where she was the guest of her cousin, Mrs. Charles Edlin.

Miss Maema Keaney has gone to Memphis to spend several weeks with her sister, Mrs. George M. Wilson.

Mrs. O'Brien, of Shepherdsville, has been the guest of her granddaughter, Mrs. Hugh Welch, in South Louisville.

Mrs. J. C. Hale and son, who were guests of her mother, Mrs. Mary Murphy, in South Louisville, have returned to their home at Howell, Ind.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Crush entertained a number of friends at a delightful evening dinner at their home on Edgewood avenue last Monday.

Miss Margaret Doherty and brother, Harry Doherty, of Terre Haute, were members of the house party entertained this week by Miss Ida V. Kellner at her home on East Broadway.

Miss Margaret Murphy was hostess to the Young Ladies' Euche Club Tuesday evening at her home in Portland. The entertainment was one of the most enjoyable of the winter series.

Misses Clara and Theresa Sullivan, of Grand Rapids, who have been visiting Miss Margaret Malone in the Highlands, were honor guests at a luncheon given Saturday afternoon by Miss Blanche Clerget.

Cornelius McBaron, John McBaron, Mrs. Peter Fougereuse and Mrs. Mary Gregoire, of New Albany, went to Evansville to attend the funeral of the lamented Father Eugene McBaron, who was their cousin.

William Bachman and bride, who was Miss Mary Bindner, are at home to their friends at 1601 Bank street. They were quietly married last week at St. Patrick's, Rev. James P. Cronin, V. G., performing the ceremony.

Miss Mary Collins and John J. Cusick, popular young people of St. Louis Bertrand's parish, will be united in matrimony on February 1. The fortunate groom holds a responsible position at James Greene's furniture store.

Mr. and Mrs. Gregory O'Rourke left last Friday to visit John McAluffe and Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hendricks, of Memphis, Tenn. After a visit of ten days they will return in company with Mr. Hendricks, who expects to spend a week or more in Louisville.

Miss Margaret Regina Stoeth and John P. Barrett were united in marriage at St. Peter's church on Thursday morning. Nuptial mass followed the wedding ceremony. A host of friends were present and later offered their best wishes for a safe and happy journey on the seas of matrimony.

Mrs. Jonathan Roberts, of Pleasantville, who was removed to St. Joseph's infirmary two weeks ago to undergo a delicate operation, is reported out of danger and now hopes are entertained for her complete recovery. Before her marriage Mrs. Roberts resided in Louisville and will be remembered as Winnie Lyons.

A wedding announcement of interest in society circles is that of Miss Henrietta E. Gathof to Albert C. Gnan. The bride-to-be is the accomplished and popular daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Gathof, and the groom is a widely known and highly respected young man. The date for their marriage has not yet been announced.

Miss Berna Pulford entertained Monday evening at her home in Crescent Hill in honor of Miss Laura Clark, who will leave shortly to visit relatives in the South. Her guests were Misses Laura Clark, Mary Keely, Geneva Keely, Loretta Desse, Rose Oechall, Messrs. Lindsay Carter, Jack Embry, Harry Minor, James Elliott, Hunt Gordon and Thomas Kooper.

SUCCESSFUL SOLICITOR.

Miss Clara O'Connor is visiting Louisville in the interest of the Catholic Church Extension Magazine, one of the country's most useful and charitable publications. Miss O'Connor has been very successful in soliciting subscriptions wherever she has visited and feels sure of securing a

large number of subscribers in Louisville. The magazine which she represents is the official organ of the Catholic Church Extension Society, an organization that has the approval of the Pope and has been placed under the protection of Cardinal Martinelli.

HUSTLING.

Phil Sheridan Council is Live Wire of the Y. M. I.

Phil Sheridan Council No. 230, of Bellevue, held a special meeting on Sunday, January 22, and had about fifty present out of a membership of seventy-five. Special Deputy Grand President George J. Lautz, of Louisville, paid the council an official visit, representing Grand President Lawo, who was unable to make the trip. Phil Sheridan Council was found in good shape, having recently bought its own home, and with a little effort on the part of its present able officers and members it is expected that it will be almost paid for during the present year. The council pays sick and funeral benefits, besides providing nice quarters where the young men of Bellevue can spend pleasant evenings. A committee of five was appointed to arrange for a class initiation, and all present pledged themselves to secure at least one candidate for admission into the order.

Addresses were made by Deputy George J. Lautz, Grand Director Joseph A. Cassidy, President M. Metz, John Hills and others. Grand President Bezd, who arrived late, pledged himself to work for the good of Phil Sheridan Council, and also to endeavor to organize new councils in Covington, Newport, Dayton and other towns in that section of Kentucky. Encouraged by the pastors of the local churches, 1911 will surely be a banner year for Phil Sheridan Council and the Y. M. I.

IN MEMORIAM.

The Holy Name Society of St. Louis Bertrand church, assembled in extraordinary session on account of the death of its Spiritual Director, Rev. William R. Dunn, O. P., took cognizance of his demise and after appointing proper committees for his obsequies, it was the sense of the society that:

Whereas, The Catholic church, the Dominican Fathers, the parish of St. Louis Bertrand and the Holy Name Society have lost a faithful servant, friend and advocate in the passing into eternity of Father Dunn; and

Whereas, His services to the church, to the Dominicans, to St. Louis Bertrand parish and to the Holy Name Society are appreciated by us, his humble friends; therefore be it

Resolved, That we, the members of the Holy Name Society, bow in humble submission to the will of our Divine Saviour in this time of trouble and distress; and be it further

Resolved, That we make a suitable appropriation for masses for the repose of his soul; that the minutes of the meeting contain an entire page devoted to his death, and that for one month every member shall remember our deceased chaplain in his prayers; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be furnished to the immediate relatives of Father Dunn and to the local Catholic papers.

CONCERTS AND MINSTRELS.

A series of grand concerts and minstrel shows will be given for the benefit of St. Augustine's church in the school hall, 1403 West Broadway, at 8 o'clock on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings, February 21, 22 and 23. Admission will be only twenty-five cents. St. Augustine's concerts and minstrel performances are always popular, because the colored men put their hearts and souls into their efforts to please.

FORTY HOURS' PRAYER.

The Forty Hours' prayer in this city will take place next at St. Vincent de Paul's church, Shelby and Oak streets, beginning at the high mass tomorrow morning and coming to a close Tuesday. The pastor, Rev. Father Thome, will conduct the beautiful devotions, which will be marked by all the impressive ceremonial of the Catholic church.

FOR ST. CECILIA'S.

The Ladies' Altar Society of St. Cecilia's church will give a euche in St. Cecilia's Hall, 2521 St. Cecilia street, on the afternoon and evening of Wednesday, February 22. The afternoon game will be called at 2:30 o'clock and the evening game at 8:30. Tickets of admission are twenty-five cents and fifteen cents extra will be charged for supper. The prizes will be numerous and useful.

TRUSTEES EJECTED.

At the annual meeting this week of the people of St. Mary's congregation in New Albany the following gentlemen were elected Trustees for the ensuing year: Louis Stein, Christopher Reising, Adolph Day, Peter Foster, Jr., Joseph Zimmermann, Sr., and John Walters.

SODALITY EUCHE.

The Young Ladies' Sodality of St. Augustine's church in Jeffersonville will entertain with a euche and reception at the Elks' Hall in that city on the evening of Wednesday, February 15. All the friends of the young ladies are cordially invited to attend and are assured an evening of much pleasure. The committee in charge is composed of Misses Mary Kenney, May Boyle, Julia Mullen and Emma Kennedy.

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